

HB 452 -- AUTOMATED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT SYSTEMS

SPONSOR: English

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Civil and Criminal Proceedings by a vote of 11 to 1.

This bill requires any jurisdiction utilizing an automated traffic enforcement system to install a sign at any intersection where a system is being used indicating the presence of the system. An "automated traffic enforcement system" means a camera, optical device, electronic system, or other surveillance system designed to record and produce photographic images, video, or other digital data of a motor vehicle, a motor vehicle's operator, or both, violating a traffic control signal, speed restriction, or other traffic law, ordinance, or regulation.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that motorists who are unaware of a traffic enforcement system can become distracted and cause accidents when the system engages. This bill will require that prominent signs alert them to the presence of these types of systems.

Testifying for the bill was Representative English.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.